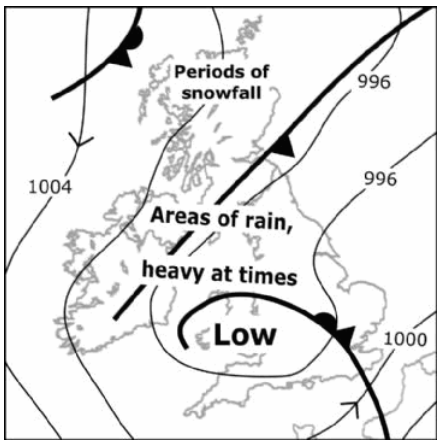
The Northwest Highlands

Areas north from Knoydart in the west, and the Great Glen towards the east (NB. Does not include Mull and areas west of Loch Linnhe, these are found in the West Highlands forecast.)

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General Summary for Sunday, 15 November, 2026



British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 15 November, 2026

Rain and increasingly snow over Scottish mountains as colder air moves in. Drier and higher cloud bases toward southwest Highlands. Rain affects northern England and Wales with some persistent and locally heavier falls, becoming snow on hills into evening. Wind speed and direction will vary in all areas.

Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Dry for a time with cloud breaks, then snow likely into afternoon.

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 15 November, 2026

How windy? (On the Munros)	North-northwesterly 20 to 30mph, occasional squally gusty periods during showers, mainly near coasts, chance of brief 40mph mainly Skye.
Effect of wind on you?	**Varying, starting to affect comfortable walking at times over high terrain, some more challenging moments possible. Significant wind chill.**
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	**Patchy snow, risk more persistent for a time into afternoon.** Areas of light snow early morning, mainly north and eastern areas, a few showers near west coast, rain only lowest slopes. Drier for a time, then a cluster of frequent snow moves in from northwest in afternoon, may set in for an hour or so. Then showery snow and hail into evening and night, chance of lightning.
Cloud on the hills?	**Breaks for a time, lowers in afternoon** Varying banks of cloud over the hills in the morning, but breaks forming toward some upper slopes, mainly inland toward Kintail, perhaps widely for a few hours, but then lowering quickly over tops from west in afternoon.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	**40%**
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	A little sun breaking through during morning, but weak through high cloud, then cloudier again afternoon. Visibility intermittently good, but poor in snow, risk appalling at times on tops.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-3C, little change all day. Feeling like -10 to -15C directly in the wind on higher mountains.
Freezing Level	400 to 600m.

The Northwest Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Monday 16 November	Tuesday 17 November
How windy? (On the Munros)	Northwest 20-35mph at dawn, strongest Sutherland; soon easing to 10mph or less. Later rising SE'ly, gales after dark.	Easterly 40 to 50mph, in places risk 60mph and very gusty around high mountains; may lessen slightly during the daytime.
Effect of wind on you?	**Small most of daytime; marked wind chill at first N/E areas. Toward dusk becoming blustery Skye, deteriorating into night.**	**Challenging to possibly difficult conditions across the mountains, buffeting gusts to lower slopes and significant wind chill.**
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	**Showers fading** Snow and hail showers from dawn mostly northern areas and locally near west coast. Fading out to be largely dry many areas, but an odd shower mainly north coast.	**Occasional flurries** Most likely only patchy snow flurries, sleet or rain on lower slopes; very little most west coastal mountains.
Cloud on the hills?	**Mostly clearing** Varying cloud base capping higher slopes in the morning, and frequently on higher slopes near Ben Hope much of day. Most mountains increasingly clear into middle of day and afternoon.	**Breaks toward Skye and Torridon** Banks of cloud drifting over higher slopes, may often shroud much high terrain on the mainland, but breaking above the hills at times in west coastal areas of Wester Ross and on Skye if generally drier.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	**40% rising to 80%**	**30%, to 60% west coast tops**
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchy sun early morning, but increasingly sunny except near the north coast. Visibility briefly poor in showers, otherwise excellent.	Some bright skies, but little sun due to layers of high cloud. Visibility very good, but some haze in east.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-2C. Feeling like -10 to -15C directly in wind early morning, but improving.	-1 or -2C, may lift just above 0C. Feeling like -15C or possibly colder in exposure to stronger wind.
Freezing Level	600m, but some lower inland terrain may be partly frozen in the morning.	600-800m, but some terrain lower down partly frozen in morning; tending to rise a little into the afternoon.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 16 November, 2026

Cold with higher terrain frequently or almost permanently frozen most or all next week particularly in Scotland. Meanwhile Wales and northern England will see one or two incursions of much warmer air together with areas of persistent rain and intermittent hill snow. Less precipitation generally northward across Scotland, but marked exceptions: here too, where the frequently northerly wind rises over mountains (with the sea directly to the north), accumulations of snow may well be considerable.

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